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Legion Plans Housing Committee To 'Explore' Disposition of City

A resolution asking that Commander John Kenestrick appoint a housing committee will be presented at a business meeting of the Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 at 8:30 tonight at the Legion home.

According to Kenestrick, the purpose of the committee, if approved by the post members, will be to explore the questions involved in the disposal of Greenbelt.

Appraisal Ends Oct. 1

Quoting C. Russell Cravens, assistant comissioner for disposition, Public Housing Administration, to the effect that the current PHA appraisal of Greenbelt will be completed by October 1, Kenestrick said that the Legion should enter the Greenbelt housing picture in the interests of veterans and other residents.

At a national convention in Miami last year, the Legion membership voted political entrance into the field of housing. The local commander explained that Post 136 participation is in line with this action.

The statement attributed to Cravens was included in remarks made before the Greenbelt post on July 21, at the installation of newly elected officers. His remarks in greater detail are as follows:

"I think it will be of interest to you folks who are residents of Greenbelt to hear something about the plan of the PHA in regard to the disposal of Greenbelt.

Studied Village In D. C.

"Congress, as you know, passed Public Law 65 which gives the right to the Commissioner of PHA to negotiate with a group or groups of veterans organized in a non-profit or limited dividend basis, without competitive bidding. In order that the Commissioner may be fully informed with reference to the present value of Greenbelt, a group of real estate appraisers and experts in their field, assembled in Washington and made a three-day study of the Village. This study dated back from the beginning of the project to the present time, including the purposes and meaning of Public Law 65. The findings of the group were placed at the disposal of appraisers selected to find the value and the best method of disposing of Greenbelt.

"The rights of veterans and the present tenants will be given full protection as called for in the recent legislation. It is hoped the appraisal will be completed by October 1, at which time public notice will be given, setting forth all requirements necessary for groups who have an interest in qualifying."

Mike Salzman, president of the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation, told the Cooperator that he considers the Legion interest in Greenbelt's housing problem "encouraging." "Only by full cooperation of the enitre community can we protect our own interests," said Salzman.

Women Bowlers Plan Fall Season

The Greenbelt Women's Bowling League will meet at 8 p.m., August 8, at the American Legion hall.

In order that the 1949-50 schedule may be arranged in time for the September 15 opening of the season, all teams who expect to bowl must register at this meeting. Anyone who would like to become a member of a team may register individually at the meeting and will be placed in order of registration. This also applies to new residents of Greenbelt who are interested in joining the League.

No Pets Allowed

City maintenance crews will begin an anti-fly campaign on Thursday by spraying all trash cans immediately following garbage collections. The community will be completely covered, in an effort to cut down this year's large fly population in Greenbelt, City Manager Charles T. McDonald stated.

Pool Closes 5 to 6 To Combat Polio

Because many children arrive at the Greenbelt swimming pool early and stay until the 9 p.m. closing, the pool will close from 5 to 6 p.m. daily, according to Mrs. Frances Stouffer, public health nurse.

Mrs. Stouffer issued the following statement in this connection: "Over-fatigue is believed to play an important part as a contributing factor in the spread of polio. With this end in view, the Greenbelt Public Health Department with the full agreement and cooperation of the pool management has advised that the local swimming pool be closed from 5 to 6 p.m. daily. This would prevent over-fatigue and over-exposure. The cooperation of all Greenbelters is requested."

Majorettes Wanted; Try-outs August 13

Girls 13 years of age and older are invited to try out for the majorette unit of the Greenbelt Community Band. Try-outs will be held Saturday afternoon, August 13 at 2 o'clock in the Center school auditorium.

New girls added to the unit will enter as substitute majorettes and will receive instruction similar to that given the present unit. Weekly dues in the amount of 35c per week are collected from each girl to pay the director's fee and take care of any incidental expenses that arise. Mrs. L. W. Neibich, phone 4502, will be glad to give any other information desired.

Braunds Injured In Auto Smashup

The Eric T. Braunds escaped serious injury Saturday in a head-on automobile collision near Warrenton, Virginia.

The Community Church minister and his family were returning from a day's trip to the Skyline Drive when an oncoming car, passing on a hill, crashed head-on into the Braunds' new Plymouth. Both cars were traveling at about forty miles an hour.

Fence Protects Car

Mr. Braund could not turn off the highway as the shoulder was narrow. He did swerve as far as he could, but the crash sent his car into a ditch. A fence beyond the ditch kept the car upright.

Mrs. Braund suffered cuts and bruises as her head hit the windshield. Nancy Braund lost a baby tooth and her knee was badly twisted. Mr. Braund and Freddy were bruised.

Damage to the car was estimated at $300, and is covered by insurance. The driver of the other car was cut and his car also badly damaged.

A regular meeting of the Greenbelt City Council will be held in the city offices next Monday night at 8.

House Passes Bill For Local Armory

The House of Representatives on Monday, August 1, passed the Greenbelt armory bill which passed the Senate on June 21, providing for the conveyance of land to the State of Maryland "for use as a site for a National Guard armory and for training the National Guard or for other military purposes."

The bill was sponsored jointly by Senator Herbert O'Conor and Congressman Lansdale G. Sasscer, both of Maryland. In a report by the House Committee on Banking and Currency, it was stated that Sasscer had told the committee "that the State of Maryland is prepared to go ahead with the erection of an armory on the site and has earmarked funds for that purpose." The bill added that the Army, expressing the views of the National Military Establishment, favors the enactment of the bill.

Site of the proposed armory is on Southway near Glenn Dale road.

The Police Blotter

Police were informed that a 15-year old boy from Greenbelt was missing from St. Mary's school in Baltimore. He was picked up in the city center by police. It was learned that he had been buying beer for some younger boys. He was turned over to the Juvenile officer..

A young girl was injured when she was struck by a bicycle. The youth riding the bicycle was traveling on the sidewalk at the time. The girl was taken to a local doctor for examination.. The mother of the bicyclist was notified of the incident, and the boy was deprived of the use of his bicycle for a period of two weeks.

A report was made of a baby suffering from convulsions. A doctor was called and a police cruiser was dispatched to the home. On arrival of the police, it was discovered that the two-year-old child was free of convulsions. Her condition was determined to be self-induced, and due to temper..

Two complaints about prowlers were received.. One involved a suspicious person peering into windows, and the other concerned persons tampering with an automobile. No one was apprehended.

The Greenbelt Rescue Squad provided transportation to the Leland Memorial Hospital for John Balant, of Washington, when he dislocated his shoulder while in Greenbelt..

A package was reported stolen from a Greenbelt resident by a young man. It was later found in a washing machine.

An accident in the pool was responsible for a leg injury to Robert Phoebus of Mt Rainier. He was treated by a local doctor, where he was taken by local police.

An auto accident occurred on the intersection of Ridge and Southway. Cars belonging to John L. Sullivan of Washington, and Betty Anne Lawrence, 6-H Crescent were involved. There were no injuries, and damages will be settled by the parties involved. No charges were made.

The fire department responded to a fire near the swimming pool. A parked car had caught fire. The blaze was extinguished.

James DeButts, 52-C Crescent, reported that his car was damaged. The right rear window was shattered and a ventilator forced open.

A complaint about " intoxicated boys" turned out to be "two men fighting" when the police arrived. The men were advised to swear out warrants.

Greenbelt May Be Sold in Ninety Days; Purchasers Must Be "Responsible"

Public offering of Greenbelt may be made within 60 to 90 days from now, according to John T. Egan, Commissioner of the Housing and Home Finance Agency of PHA. He said that "for a limited period of time as determined by me to be reasonable," PHA will give preference to resident veteran purchasing groups, as authorized in Public Law 65.

In answer to a letter of July 12 from Mike Salzman, president of the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation, Egan repeated the basic standards of Public Law 65 for qualifications to purchase as resident groups: they must be veteran, nonprofit groups; they must be "responsible;" membership must be open on the same terms and conditions to all residents "for such period as is determined to be appropriate by me;" and compensation to anyone for negotiating the purchasing and for financing must be "fair" in relation to the purchase price and "reasonable" on the basis of the time devoted to such services.

"Important Item"

Egan disagreed with that part of Salzman's letter which stated that "some developmental work can and should precede the actual disposition of the present housing facilities." He suggested, however, that GVHC explore ways and means for further development "since such planning will. no doubt, constitute an important item requiring consideration by any prospective purchaser."

Egan "Would Be Pleased"

Replying to GVHC's request for preferential negotiation, as outlined in Public Law 65, Egan said he "would be pleased to have the group submit qualifications for preference in a negotiated sale" when the offering is announced. ,

Consider Financial Arrangements

Salzman told the Cooperator that GVHC has considered ways of preparing its members financially to meet the "responsibility" clause, and to raise a down-payment. While outside financing will be sought as soon as information is gained on which to secure such assistance, Salzman said, evidence of the members' intent must be made concrete before that time. One method currently under consideration would have the members put aside in special checking accounts monthly deposits which would be tallied so that GVHC officials could know the total amount put up by all its members. Until announcement of sale is made, with conditions, terms, and sales price, added Salzman, these funds would be available to the depositors to withdraw whenever they liked. Then, however, they would be put in escrow as evidence of the depositors' intent to purchase through GVHC.

Reasonable?

PHA is under no compulsion to sell the property to the residents, Salzman emphasized, unless resident groups qualify within the "reasonable" time given them to do so. In Greendale, Egan set the time at 30 days.

Four Candidates File for Council

City Clerk Winfield McCamy reminded Greenbelt residents this week that they have only until midnight, August 20, to file petitions for nominations to the five city council seats at stake in the September elections. To date, only four petitions have been filed, all by present incumbents; Councilwoman Elizabeth Harrington, the first to file. Mayor Thomas Canning, and Councilmen Frank Lastner and Allen Morrison.

August 20 is also the deadline for registering to vote in the election. Voters in the 1947 election do not need to re-register.

Mrs. McCamy announced that she has set up the following schedule of extra hours for the city office, to facilitate the filing of petitions and late registrations:

Saturday. Morning Hours

August 6, city office, 9 a.m. to 12 noon; August 13, 4-C Laurel Hill, home of Henry Pearlman, 9 a.m. to noon; and August 20, city office. 9 a.m. to noon.

Evening Hours

Wednesday, August 10, city office, 7 to 9; Monday, August 15, city office, 7 to 9; Wednesday, August 17, city office. 7 to 9; Saturday, August 20, city office, 8 to midnight.

Cancel Midget Series After Locals Get Bid

By Cockill

Members of the Greenbelt Boys' Club Midget baseball team experienced ironical luck during the past week, when they received word that they had been selected to represent the East in the Midget World Series only to be told later that health authorities in Oklahoma City had decided to call off the series because of the many polio cases in that area.

On Wednesday evening Coach Caldwell Baker received a telephone call from the Philadelphia representative of the Midget Baseball Association of America, advising him that the Greenbelt kids had been selected from approximately 600 teams to represent the East. The word spread through Greenbelt like fire and the trip was discussed at a meeting of the parents Sunday afternoon. On Monday afternoon another telephone call brought the disappointing news. To date the Midgets have won 23 of 26 games.

New Manager Aims At Newer Movies

John J. Eskridge will replace Paul Linson as manager of the Greenbelt theatre beginning Monday, August 8. Eskridge was formerly with the Warner Brothers theater chain in Baltimore, and has been in the moving picture business since 1927. In view of this considerable experience in selling pictures and operating theaters. Greenbelt Consumer Services spokesmen said that he is familiar with all the angles of the business.

According to GCS, Linson has for some time been working on the problem of better clearance on pictures for the Greenbelt theater, and has made some progress. Eskridge, they added, will continue this program and has set a goal of getting pictures for Greenbelt as quickly as other suburban theaters.

Legion Auxiliary Installs Officers

Installed as officers of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Greenbelt American Legion Post No. 136 last night were Ada Riley, president; Lois Peterson, first vice president; Gladys Melloy, second vice president; Beatrice Roberts, treasurer; Mildred Comploier, chaplain; Adelaide Kaighn, recording secretary; and Carmella Graziano, corresponding secretary.

Color bearers are Alsace Kenestrick and Helen Dudley.

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Comes The Resolution

The entry of the American Legion into the Greenbelt housing picture will be watched with great interest. Prompted by the national and state organizations who have declared their willingness to enter into housing activities, the local Legion post will tonight act on a resolution to form a committee to explore the situation here.

What their probing will discover remains to be seen.

No other group in town will have the resources, influence and political experience with which the Legion is abundantly endowed. C. Russell Cravens, PHA's assistant commissioner for dispositions, and commander of the Housing Legion Post, remarked in a speech at the Legion home last month that the appraisals for Greenbelt will be finished by October 1, and that the interests of the residents will be "protected" when the sale of the city is effected.

Perhaps it is proper at this time to draw a parallel between the experience in Greendale and in our city. After Greendale residents formed a mutual housing group with the intention of purchasing the town for themselves, a group of eight men formed an organization for the same purpose. Only two members of the group were Greendale residents. After securing the endorsement of the Greendale Legion post, they were able to maneuver the City of Milwaukee into putting up $300,000 towards the purchase price of the town.

Although Greendale was assured that the sale of the town would be announced in a manner that would allow time for any interested party to qualify as a buyer, they were given thirty days to dig up ten percent of over three million dollars! The group which was able to qualify, by the way, was not the resident group.

So far the parallel exists only to the point where the Legion bestirs itself to show an interest. There is not the slightest doubt that the Legion will proceed with what they consider the best interests of the resident of Greenbelt in mind. Let's hope this will not involve carrying the Greendale-Greenbelt parallel any further.

Green Pastures

The hidden jackpot in the disposal of Greenbelt is not the purchase of the homes and business structures. There are greener pastures, filled with promises of the "long green." The importance of this fact will be emphasized as the problems of purchasing Greenbelt under mutual ownership plans become more apparent.

When Greenbelt was planned and built, little thought was given to the eventual disposition of the city. With the government as the sole landlord, the management and maintenance of Greenbelt was somewhat simplified. Now that the transfer of the city is imminent, determination of the best method of management and maintenance is more complicated. It is well to consider whether it will be more feasible for one group to purchase the town and run it efficiently, or whether the division of the town into courts and small groups connected by common utilities and their ownership by one or more residents is more appropriate.

However, it would seem that the purchase of Greenbelt by one group would facilitate the transfer of the adjacent wooded areas, which are ripe for development. What builder would refuse the temptation of a site near a city like Greenbelt, with utilities and shopping facilities, schools, churches and recreation areas readily available?

The purchase of Greenbelt by small divided groups would mean that the developable areas would fall to a speculative builder.

It would be proper now for residents, housing groups, the Legion committee, to determine immediately which of these two plans is the best. Harmony and unity of purpose is essential at this stage. The profound danger of disagreement is that it may extend to the time the sale of Greenbelt is announced. If Greenbelt is not sold to any group that meets the requirements of Public Law 65 within 30, 60, or 90 days, ("such period as determined to be appropriate" by John T. Egan, Commissioner of Housing and Home Finance Agency of PHA), any group can step in and make a bid for the city: mutual or private.

We are certain that there are interests watching the negotiations concerning the sale of Greenbelt with bated breath. It's the adjacent land, that jackpot of a realtor's dream, which has them hypnotized.

Our Neighbors

By Rae Algaze, Greenbelt, 7502

New Babies at Leland Memorial

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Joseph Ossi, 11-M Laurel Hill, announce the birth of their son Anthony Joseph Jr., who was born on July 28, weighing 7 lbs., 6 oz. The Ossis also have twin boys, Michael and Paul, 3.

The fourth child and second son David E., was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ira Solet, 17-G Ridge, on July 29, weighing 5 lbs., 11 oz. Their other children are Susan 10, Joan 8, and Peter 4½.

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Mrs. Joseph Long, 3-B Gardenway, is a patient at Doctor's hospital, Washington. She is suffering an arm injury caused by a bicycle rider who ran into her on the sidewalk in front of the food store. Why can't bike riders be kept off the sidewalks?

John D. Hillis, 12-C Laurel Hill, is now enrolled in the summer session at the University of Maine.

Dr. Joseph W. Still, former Health Association doctor, has been appointed health officer for Winchester and Frederick Counties, Va.

City Workers Picnic

The first annual picnic for all city employees will be held on Wednesday, August 24, at the lake, City Manager Charles T. McDonald announced on Tuesday. It will be a basket picnic, with games and group singing. Heads of departments will form a committee for the affair.

Contributors Corner

This week's winning contributor is Marion Osman, 14-F Ridge, who follows the trend of our former winners with an item of poetry. Marion writes: "Some years ago my Mother and Dad took me to a privately-owned seashore. Its beauty thrilled me so that I lay on the grass and jotted down the following on a scrap of paper—

DAY OF DAYS

Breezes rippling through the greens
Of Mother Earth—
Trees whose boughs sway
in the glimmering sunlight;
Baby voices of chicks
in the mist—
The quietness of the neighboring
hill,
shrouded with God's own trees;
Blue, solemn, serene sky above,
tinted with heavenly white—
Tranquil water, on whose bosom
rests
many a seaman's boat;
Is this Paradise? No, not quite—
but another "Day of Days."
—Marion Osman.

Your theatre tickets, courtesy of Paul Linson, manager of the Greenbelt Theatre, are in the mail, and a dozen cokes will be delivered to you by Paul Plackos, of Veterans Liquors.

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Morning Worship, 11 a.m. Sermon, "Mentally Alert." Mrs. Inez Snow will be the special soloist. A cordial welcome awaits you at Woodlandway and Forestway at the sound of the Church bell.

Monday, August 8. The Woman's Society of Christian Service will hold its regular program and business meeting in the home of Mrs. Hazel Gump, 16-G Ridge Rd. Mrs. Burke O'Neil is co-hostess. A special program has been planned around the work of our society in Burma. Mrs. Richard M. Corbin, 22-C Crescent Road, is president. Mrs. Warren Hutchinson, 6 Woodlandway, is program chairman. A cordial invitation is extended to all members and friends of the Church.

Future—Don't forget the baked ham dinner at the Church to be served on the grounds and to take home. The date will be announced next week.

Tuesday, August 9—Recreation and fellowship at the Church beginning at 7:30 p.m. Horseshoe pitching is the main event of the evening. You will find a cordial welcome.

Yeatts-Crist

Mrs. Janet C. Yeatts, who terminated her position as first grade teacher in the Center school last June, was married in a candle-light ceremony last Sunday evening to Reverend Milton Crist in the Potomac Heights Community Church where he is the minister. Reverend Eric T. Braund officiated. The bride wore a toast colored lace dress and a flowered hat to match. She carried a crescent of Rubrum lilies. Approximately two hundred and fifty guests in all were present, seventy-five of which were from Greenbelt, including several youngsters who attended her classes. After the ceremony a reception was given by members of the church. The couple left for a trip to Yellowstone National Park and the Glaciers. They will return on September 1 to their home at 5200 Cathedral Avenue, Potomac Heights.

Scott-Kennedy

Joanne Marie Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Scott, 7-K Crescent, was married on July 16 to George Robert Kennedy of Baltimore at Holy Redeemer Church in Berwyn. Father V. J. Dowgiallo officiated. Both the bride and groom graduated from the University of Maryland last June. After a week's honeymoon in Ocean City and Atlantic City, the couple returned to their home in Beltsville.

COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

Sunday, August 7

9:30 a.m., Sunday School for all at Center school.

10 a.m., Men's Bible Class, taught by Rev. Fred Birchard.

11 a.m., Church Worship, Center auditorium. Sermon: "Clues to Neighborly Living with Catholics, Jews and Protestants." Special music by men's chorus with Mrs. John McClendon at the organ.

7:30 p.m., Outdoor hymn sing, Center school lawn (facing the tennis courts). Special music as follows: pianist, Mrs. Thelma Finlay; trumpet, Gordon Finlay; vocal soloist, Mrs. John McClendon.

HEBREW SERVICES

Rabbi Morris A. Sandhaus

Regular Friday night services of the Hebrew Congregation will not be held during July and August. Services will be resumed the first Friday in September.

GREENBELT LUTHERAN

Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow, Pastor

Sunday School, 11:25

Adult Bible Class, 12 noon.

Church Service, 12:40.

Thursday and Friday, August 4 and 5—Ladies' Aid of Mt. Rainier lawn fete from 5 to 10 p.m. at Trinity School, Hyattsville. Supper will be served in cafeteria. A free-will offering to be taken. Program includes pony rides, games, movies and music Thursday night, plays and music Friday night, and refreshments.

Sunday, August 7—Lutheran Laymen's League-Potomac Zone, picnic at grove 24, 16th and Kennedy Sts., N.W., from 3 to 7 p.m. Program includes a vesper service, free lemonade and ice cream, and games. Families will bring their own suppers.

ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor

Saturday: Confessions, 4 to 5 p.m. for the children, 7 to 9:30 for adults, in the chapel.

Sunday Masses, 7:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. in the Greenbelt theater.

Daily Mass: 7 a.m. in the chapel.

Wednesday: Novena Services, 7:45 p.m. in the chapel.

Friday, August 5: First Friday of the Month. Mass at 7 a.m. in the chapel.

Father Victor Dowgiallo announced on Tuesday to parishioners that the new phone number of St. Hugh's Rectory is now Greenbelt 5911.

Parish School Opens

School will open for pupils at the new St. Hugh's Catholic School on September 8, Father Victor Dowgiallo, Pastor of the parish, announced this week. Children attending the first four grades will be accommodated and no uniforms will be required at present. Father Dowgiallo commented that while he hopes that the new building will be ready, classes will begin whether or not the building is actually completed.

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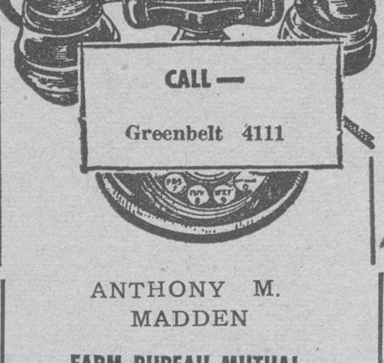

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Ride wanted—vicinity of 18th and Pa., N.W. Working hours 8:30 to 5:30. Call 6347.

Ride wanted—to Veterans Administration. Munitions Building, or vicinity 21st and Constitution. Working hours 8:15 to 5. Call 2151.

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FOX TALES

By Sam Fox

Fencing: All adults and high school students interested in learning how to fence should get in touch with Recreation Dept. If there is enough interest we will start a fencing class, and hope to have a fencing team to represent Greenbelt.

Football: All that will be out for the Greenbelt Boy's Club Football Team, get in touch with Mr. Dean, as he plans to have practice for the seniors in August. The juniors get in touch with Mr. Wolfe. The practice will be at night.

FOX

Softball: Come down and see your Junior Block Teams play at 1:30 every afternoon. The league is a very good one and the teams have a lot of spirit. See how the future stars look to you.

Don't forget—if you wish to box, let the Recreation Dept. know. Medals will go to winners. . . .

Softball: The Prince Georges County Volunteer Fire Department softball league will play their championship games here at Greenbelt starting Sunday, August 7 and will continue on August 14 and 21. Games will start at 11 o'clock.

Championship games for the Recreation Night Softball League will be held Thursday night at 8 p.m.—Mt. Rainier vs. Thrifty. .

Water Pageant: The show is beginning to shape up in great form. Don't forget to reserve August 21 for the Water Pageant. There will be over 50 children in the complete show, and the most colorful to be presented in Greenbelt.

Baby Playgrounds: The baby playgrounds are getting ready for their Tot and Talent show and exhibition of the work done on the small playgrounds, do be sure to keep your children going to the playgrounds so they may participate in the show. The teachers are doing a very good job.

Drop-Inn: Don't forget the Drop-Inn is open on week-ends, Friday night for Senior High, Saturday night for Junior High. Go down and dance, play cards, and have a social "bull session." Eat and have your cold drinks at the new booths. See you Friday and Saturday night.

"God gave the child the instinct to play; man must provide the playground."

WALTONIANS ON WCFM

Thru the courtesy of Greenbelt Consumer Services, the Greenbelt Chapter of the Izaak Walton League will broadcast this Thursday at 7:30 p.m. from Station WCFM. A short talk on the policies and aims of the League will be followed by a brief question and answer period. All members and those interested in the great outdoors are urged to tune in.

Ryerse To Act As PHA Manager

PHA Manager Charles M. Cormack will leave Saturday for a two-week vacation at Rehoboth Beach with Mrs. Cormack and their son Charles. During his absence, Administrative Assistant Fred H. Ryerse will act as PHA manager for Greenbelt.

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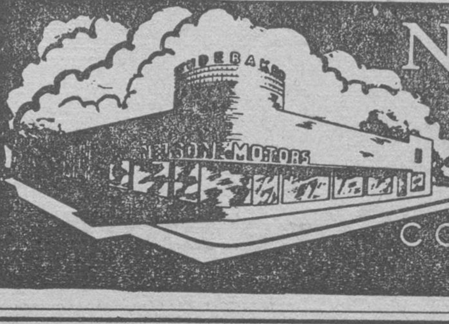
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Local Gun Experts Lead Md. League

The Greenbelt Gun Club was in lead place in the Maryland Rifle League summer competition at the close of last Sunday's rifle match. With five out of the eight season matches behind them, the local shooters have a team average of 1573 points. The nearest competing outfit, the National Capitol club has a 1571 average.

Lyman Woodman, manager of the Maryland Rifle League, gives this explanation of the schedule and the .22 calibre rifle shooting program followed by the league during the outdoor season:

There is a match almost every other Sunday (usually in Greenbelt) in which from 35 to 60 members of the 8 different clubs in the league participate. These are individual matches—everyone for himself—and medals are awarded for each event.. The top three scorers receive gold, silver, and bronze medals, respectively, and the best shooters in the sharpshooter and marksmen classes also receive awards.

Scores fired by every man and woman during the summer are kept by the League Secretary. At the end of the 8th match (Sept. 11), the 4 best averages in each club will be computed. The totals of those 4 best averages will be compared, and the club with the highest 4-man total score for the whole season will win the League Champion plaque awarded annually by the Nat Rifle Association. The winning team will then compete with the winning combinations in other leagues in Maryland to determine the State Championship. The scores of the State champs will be considered in selecting the National champs in this type of shooting.

The matches are all fired from the prone position. They are 40-shot matches, with a time limit of 40 minutes for firing. Four different types of matches are fired; each of them twice during the season to make the 8 matches. These consist of matches at 50 yards, 50 meters, 100 yards, and a combination of 50 and 100 yards. The latter is called the Dewar Match, and is the most popular in the smallbore rifle game.

With 10 points counted for a "bullseye," the possible score for 40 shots is 400 points. Two members of the Greenbelt Club have fired 400's this year: Don Kern and Freeman Morgan. A perfect score is very difficult to make.

Since Greenbelt's 4-man team average so far is 1573, the average per shooter is slightly better than 393 out of 400. Under the competitor classification system administered by the National Rifle Association, an average of 392 gives the shooter an Expert's rating; an average of 388 is Sharpshooter; and 384 is Marksman average. For the top grade in this type of shooting—Master Rifleman—one must average 396 out of 400.

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Housing America

By Mike Salzman

Life magazine last week saluted Housing Expeditor Tighe Woods for his outstanding achievement in having erected a one-bedroom house for sale at $6800. The wholesale construction of such housing, Mr. Woods says, would eliminate the need for continued rent control. Let's examine this bit of manna a little more closely.

Since it would seem reprehensible for a public official to call a press conference on a matter in no way connected with his governmental activities, the Woods house has received nationwide publicity at a time when housing for middle-income groups is being discussed in Congressional committees. Some of our more astute congressmen will be only too happy to say that. if the Woods house will eliminate the need for rent control. the housing shortage has finally been licked. If the housing shortage no longer exists, we need no legislation that will help middle-income families obtain housing.

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One question to be raised, though, is: Can middle income families with two or three children live decently in a one-bedroom house? The answer is obvious. Another question: Why all the hullabaloo about the Woods' house? Is it such a remarkable technological achievement? The answer to this is also obvious. A little over a year ago. when construction costs were higher than they are today. houses were erected by a small local builder just south of the Greenbelt municipal limits. These houses. of good construction and dimensionally very much like the Woods house, were erected without any governmental financing of any sort, and sold for $6200.

Another Market?

Despite the fact that Woods says it is his solution for the housing shortage, he may actually be seeking an entirely different market—one that could afford his house for childless families. The Woods house is near a military establishment, and military contracted housing, either on or off base. has cost almost double the average costs of housing in the same areas. Then, too, a military housing bill is also in the congressional hopper.

Joseph K. Yanka

Joseph Keith Yanka, 27, who resided at 53-Q Ridge, was fatally injured last Friday. together with a co-pilot. John M. Brug, 21. of the Bronx, N. Y., when they tried to force their landing with a hired Army plane which had run out of gas. They were about 300 yards from Schrom Airport when their plane crashed.

Yanka, a veteran of the last war, had served with the infantry in the seventh army in Germany. He and his family had lived in Greenbelt three years. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Cecilia Yanka, whose only son he was; his wife Frances; and their two sons, Joseph Keith, Jr., 7, and Robert, 6. The funeral services were held at Lee's Funeral Home in Washington on Wednesday. Burial was at Fort Lincoln cemetery.

Mrs. Idell A. Martin

Mrs. Idell A. Martin, beloved wife of David A. Martin of 9-B Southway, died on Monday, August 1. She is survived by a son, Julian C. Martin, and by four daughters, Mrs. Margaret L. Land, Mrs. Virginia Poole, Mrs. Elizabeth A. Poole, and Mrs. Vivian I. Soo. The funeral will be on Thursday, August 4, at 2:30 p.m., with interment at Cedar Hill cemetery. Rev. Russell Reed, pastor of the Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church. will officiate.

Mrs. Martin was a member of the Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church and of the Women's Society for Christian Service.

Mrs. Verlie Smith

Mrs. Verlie Smith, beloved wife of Omrie A. Smith of 13-W Hillside Road, died suddenly on Saturday morning, August 27. Interment will be at Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Smith is survived by 3 daughters, Mrs. H. L. Faulconer, Gerry and Vickie Smith; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Jeffreys, and a brother, R. Jeffreys, of Council Bluffs.

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